

[In recess, congressmen keep full agenda](#)

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Congress might be in recess, but Reps. Marlin Stutzman, R-3rd, and Mike Pence, R-6th, aren't getting much of a break this week.

Each has a busy schedule of speeches and appearances in northeast Indiana.

"There's always a lot more going on than he could possibly get to," Christopher Sanders, press secretary for Stutzman, said Monday about the demands for Stutzman's time.

"There's usually not much breathing room" between stops on Pence's itinerary, said Matt Lloyd, communications director for Pence.

Stutzman will meet at 10:30 a.m. today with the LaGrange County Farm Service Agency. The freshman lawmaker will speak at noon to an IPFW political science class and at 1:45 p.m. to students at Fort Wayne Community Schools' Ward Education Center.

Pence will tour the Community Harvest Food Bank of Northeast Indiana on Tillman Road at 3:15 p.m. today.

Pence and Stutzman will attend three events today sponsored by the Allen County Republican Party: a "super VIP reception" at 4 p.m. at Don Hall's Guesthouse; a "VIP reception" at 5:30

p.m. at Ceruti's Summit Park; and the annual Lincoln Day dinner at 6:45 p.m. at Ceruti's.

Pence will be the speaker at the dinner; he will be introduced by Stutzman.

Pence, who is expected to seek the Republican nomination for governor, has been the keynote speaker at Lincoln Day dinners in at least a dozen Indiana counties this year, with at least four more, including tonight's, on his schedule. The dinners are fundraising events for local GOP organizations.

On Wednesday, Pence will speak to students at Bluffton High School at 10:15 a.m., and he will have a town-hall meeting at Riverside Center in Decatur at 11:30 a.m.

Stutzman will host an open house from 1 to 4:30 p.m. Wednesday at his district office at 874 N. Lima Road, Suite B, Kendallville. He also will be the speaker at the DeKalb County Lincoln Day dinner at 6:30 p.m. at the Hoosier Air Museum in Auburn.

On Thursday, Stutzman will speak at 10 a.m. at Grace College in Winona Lake and at 12:30 p.m. to students at Woodlan High School near Woodburn. He and Indiana GOP Chairman Eric Holcomb will speak at the Adams County Republicans' Lincoln Day dinner at 6 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Decatur.

Adams County is in Pence's district but would shift to Stutzman's district under a new congressional map drawn by the Indiana General Assembly.

Then on Friday, Stutzman will speak at an 11:30 a.m. luncheon sponsored by the Warsaw/Kosciusko County Chamber of Commerce at 2517 Restaurant in Warsaw. He will attend the county GOP's Lincoln Day dinner at 6:30 p.m. at The Old Depot in Pierceton.

Stutzman will attend a Boy Scouts event at 9 a.m. Saturday in LaOtto in Noble County.

